

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

09/590,527

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 2/21/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 38-43, 45-52 and 60-69.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date 1/13/2006
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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DETAILED ACTION

This office action is in response to applicant's amendment filed February 21, 2006.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Brick Power on June 22, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows to overcome the prior art:

Claims

Cancel claims 53-59.

In claim 38 line 2 after "a" delete "substrate" and insert -semiconductor device--,
in line 4 before "and" delete "substrate" and insert -semiconductor device- -,
in line 5 after "substrate," insert -from which the semiconductor device is detachable--,
in line 5 after "disposing the" delete "substrate" and insert -semiconductor device- -,
and in line 6 after "stabilizer" insert -secured to and - -;

in claim 39 line 3 before "and" delete "substrate" and insert -semiconductor device--,
and in line 3 before "face-down" delete "substrate" and insert -semiconductor device--;

in claim 40 line 3 after "the" delete "substrate" and insert -semiconductor device--;

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in claim 48 line 2 after “the” delete “substrate” and insert - -semiconductor device--;

in claim 49 line 1 after “the” delete “substrate” and insert - -semiconductor device--;

in claim 50 line 1 after “the” delete “substrate” and insert - -semiconductor device--;

in claim 51 line 1 after “the” delete “substrate” and insert - -semiconductor device--;

in claim 52 line 3 after “the” delete “substrate” and insert - -semiconductor device--;

in claim 60 line 8 after “device” insert - - detachably assembled- -,

in line 11 after “stabilizer” insert - - secured to a surface of the semiconductor device and- -.

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner’s statement of reasons for allowance: while the use of stabilizers are known in the art as being either secured to a test substrate or to device in a permanent package as evidenced by Higgins (U.S. 5,985,682) and Brofman (U.S. 6,184,062), the prior art fails to disclose or make obvious securing stabilizers to the semiconductor device that’s detachable from a test substrate including all the limitation of the independent claim.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James M. Mitchell whose telephone number is (571) 272-1931. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:00-4:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Carl Whitehead Jr. can be reached on (571) 272-1702. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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